

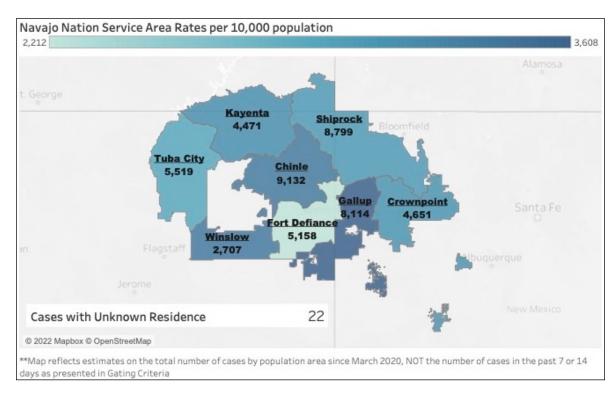
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## 113 new cases, 44,586 recoveries, and one death related to COVID-19



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 113 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one death. The total number of deaths is now 1,609. The report indicates that 44,586 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 467,887 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 48,573, including 65 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 9,132

Crownpoint Service Unit: 4,651Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,158

Gallup Service Unit: 8,114

Kayenta Service Unit: 4,471
Shiprock Service Unit: 8,799
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,519
Winslow Service Unit: 2,707

\* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 18,229 new cases, Utah reported 7,493 cases, and New Mexico reported 4,119 new cases.

"If you don't have a KN95 mask, our health care experts strongly urge everyone to wear two masks in public due to the high level of contagiousness of the Omicron variant. Cloth masks are not efficient in protecting against the Omicron variant. Please get vaccinated, get a booster shot, and do your best to stay home as much as possible and limit travel off the Navajo Nation. We are in this together and we have to keep pushing back on this virus. A big thank you to all of the men and women working hard, around the clock, in all of the health care facilities to treat patients and to save lives. We continue to pray for all of our frontline warriors and all of our Navajo people," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Adhering to the safety measures provided by our health experts, taking extra precautions in public, and continuing to pray each day will help to keep our people safe and healthy during this pandemic. Please be safe, keep supporting your loved ones, and keep praying. We are in this together and we will emerge from this pandemic together," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <a href="http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19">http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</a>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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